

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A sheet having a composite structure for stabilizing coatings, comprising:

a first layer and a second layer, both made of fiber material impregnated with a first impregnating material and a second impregnating material, respectively; and

a body layer set between said first layer and said second layer according to a general sandwich structure, said body layer being made of a third material, said first layer having a top outer surface and said second layer having a bottom outer surface;

a layer of ~~absorbing~~ adhesive-absorbing material positioned on the top outer surface of the first layer;

a layer of foam material in the form of distinct areolas positioned on the bottom outer surface of the second layer, wherein said first and second impregnating materials and said third material presenting a substantial affinity, so that said sheet has a physically heterogeneous and chemically homogeneous structure.

2. (Original) The sheet according to Claim 1, wherein said first and second impregnating materials and said third material presenting a substantial affinity are polymeric materials comprising polyvinyl chloride, thermoplastic polyolefins and thermoplastic polyurethanes.

3. (Original) The sheet according to Claim 2, wherein said polymeric materials presenting a substantial affinity is polyvinyl chloride.

4. (Original) The sheet according to Claim 1, wherein said fiber material is silica fiber or polyester fiber.
5. (Original) The sheet according to Claim 1, wherein said first and second impregnating materials is a jellified material.
6. (Original) The sheet according to Claim 5, wherein said jellified material is polyvinyl chloride plastisol.
7. (Original) The sheet according to Claim 1, wherein said third material constituting said body layer is a material obtained by compacting of granules.
8. (Original) The sheet according to Claim 1, wherein said body layer has a thickness of less than 2 mm.
9. (Original) The sheet according to Claim 8, wherein said body layer has a thickness of approximately 1.5 mm.
10. (Previously Presented) The sheet according to Claim 1, further comprising a layer of glue.
11. (Currently Amended) The sheet according to Claim 10, wherein said glue overlies the layer of the adhesive-absorbing material on the top outer surface of the first layer.
12. (Previously Presented) The sheet according to Claim 10, wherein said glue underlies the bottom outer surface of the second layer in regions where the foam material is not present.

13. (Original) The sheet according to Claim 10, wherein said glue is of a highly tacky type.

14-15. (Canceled)

16. (Previously Presented) The sheet according to Claim 1, wherein said layer of foam material consists of polyvinyl chloride foam.

17. (Canceled)

18. (Currently Amended) The sheet according to Claim 1, wherein said ~~absorbing-adhesive-absorbing~~ material is constituted by a non-woven textile.

19. (Currently Amended) The sheet according to Claim 1, wherein said ~~absorbing-adhesive-absorbing~~ material presents a density ranging from about 50 to 150 g/m².

20. (Original) The sheet according to Claim 18, wherein said non-woven textile presents non oriented fibers.

21. (Currently Amended) The sheet according to Claim 1, wherein said ~~absorbing-adhesive-absorbing~~ material is a polyester non-woven textile.

22-35. (Canceled)

36. (Currently Amended) A composite sheet comprising;
a multi-layer structure having a top surface and a bottom surface, said multi-layer structure including a top layer of a first fiber material embedded with a first polymeric material, a bottom layer of a second fiber material embedded with a second polymeric material and a body

layer disposed between the top layer and the bottom layer, the body layer being made of a third polymeric material, and

a foam material in the form of distinct areolas distributed in distinctive regions on the bottom surface of the multi-layer structure.

37. (Previously Presented) The composite sheet of claim 36 further comprising an adhesive layer.

38. (Previously Presented) The composite sheet of claim 37 wherein the adhesive layer is on the top surface of the multi-layer structure.

39. (Currently Amended) The composite sheet of claim 38 further comprising a layer of absorbing-adhesive-absorbing material disposed between the adhesive layer and the top surface of the multi-layer structure, the absorbing-adhesive-absorbing material being a non-woven textile.

40. (Previously Presented) The composite sheet of claim 37 wherein a adhesive layer is on the bottom surface of the multi-layer structure in regions where the foam material is not present.

41. (Currently Amended) The composite sheet of claim 40 further comprising a layer of absorbing-adhesive-absorbing material disposed between the adhesive layer and the bottom surface of the multi-layer structure, the absorbing-adhesive-absorbing material being a non-woven textile.

42. (Previously Presented) The composite sheet of claim 37 wherein the first, second and third polymeric materials are the same.

43. (Previously Presented) The composite sheet of claim 37 wherein the first, second and third polymeric materials are each poly(vinyl chloride).

44. (Previously Presented) The composite sheet of claim 37 wherein the foam material is poly(vinyl chloride).